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## SANITARIANS REGISTRATION COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

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## Sanitarian Registration Council Members

Raymond R. Hedrick, Chairman, Livingston 7/1/68 - 7/1/71

Vernon E. Sloulin, Secretary-Treasurer, State Department of Health - Helena 7/17/69 - 7/17/70

C Wyman Taylor, Member, Bozeman 7/16/67 - 7/17/70

The Council was created as a sub-agency of the State Department of Health under Section 69-3401 through 3409, R.C.M., 1947, in 1959. It is referred to as a sub-agency of the State Department of Health in that the Council by law is appointed by the State Board of Health, its regulations and policies must be approved by the State Board of Health. All moneys collected must be deposited with the State Department of Health, and budget accounts are kept by that department. In addition to the above, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council must be an employee of the State Department of Health.

The program goal for the Council is to insure that individuals working as sanitarians in Mentana are properly qualified, therefore providing Montana taxpayers a greater degree of efficiency per dollar spent.

The prime activity of the council involves review of applications and other administrative functions which provide for registration. During the past year the Council registered 12 new sanitarians, making a total of 61 sanitarians registered in this fiscal year. The Council business also included modifying the requirements for registration (this action was approved by the State Board of Health and is now in effect). Other business conducted by the Council was review of examination services for registration, review of investment program of the Council, development of future budgets, and formation of a decision to send a delegate to an annual national meeting of registration councils or boards. Several meetings of the Council involved discussion of state government reorganization. Close communication was established with the reorganization commission, and with approval of the reorganization commission the Sanitarians Registration Council will be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Board of Health.

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Major recommendations for future activities of the Council are:

- The Council draft amendments to existing laws that would correspond with recommendations of the reorganization commission.
- Council should continue to promote the employment of registered sanitarians for all positions relating to environmental health and consumer protection.
- The council should continue to study methods and means for establishment of uniform reciprocity between all states.